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	Filing Date	April 9, 2004
	First Named Inventor	PANDA SIDDHARTHA
	Art Unit	1763
	Examiner Name	George Goudreau
	Attorney Docket Number	071469-0309182

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In re PATENT APPLICATION of:  
PANDA SIDDHARTHA, ET AL.

Confirmation No: 8235

Application No.: 10/821,201

Group Art Unit: 1763

Filed: April 9, 2004

Examiner: George Goudreau

Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DEEP TRENCH SILICON ETCH

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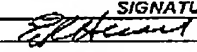
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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### Complete if Known

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

- 20 or HP = x =

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Indep. Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)

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#### 4. OTHER FEES (\$)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): RCE

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